List of Abbreviations and Terms

AQI Air Quality Index - An numerical and color coded index for reporting timely air

quality to the public for five major pollutants: ground-level ozone, particulate

matter, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, and nitrogen dioxide.

Bias (total) The systematic or persistent distortion of a measurement process which causes

errors in one direction.

BAM Beta Attenuation Monitor - A monitor that uses a source and detector of

emitted beta particles to determine the collection of particulate matter.

CAC Correlated Acceptable Continuous (as currently applied) - A continuous

PM2.5 monitor collocated with a FRM having sufficient comparability to allow for a reduction in sample frequency of the FRM from daily to one in three days.

CAMM Continuous Ambient Mass Monitor - A monitor that measures changes in

pressure drop across a filter tape with particulate matter collected on it to

determine the concentration of fine particulate.

CASAC Clean Air Science Advisory Committee - A group charged with statutorily

mandated responsibility to review and offer scientific and technical to the Administrator on the air quality criteria and regulatory documents which form

the basis for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

DQO Data Quality Objectives - Are qualitative and quantitative statements that clarify

study objectives, define the appropriate type of data, and specify tolerable levels of potential errors, that will be used as the basis for establishing the

quality and quantity of data needed to support decisions.

FEM Federal Equivalent Method - A method for measuring the concentration of an

air pollutant in the ambient air that has been designated as an equivalent method

in accordance with 40 CFR Part 53.

FRM Federal Reference Method

Measurement

Precision (total) A measure of the mutual agreement among individual measurements of the same

property, usually under prescribed similar conditions, expressed generally in

terms of the standard deviation.

Primary Monitor Identifies one instrument as the sanctioned monitor for comparison to the

NAAQS when there are multiple instruments measuring the same pollutant at

the same site.

REM Regional Equivalent Monitor - A potential new type of equivalent monitor being

proposed in this document that would be limited geographically in its approval

to where its performance has been successfully demonstrated.

SAMWG State Air Monitoring Working Group

SES Sample Equilibration System - A technology utilizing a Naphion® dryer that

allows sample flow streams to be conditioned to low humidity and temperature.

STAPPA/ALAPCO State and Territorial Air Pollution Program Administrators / Association of

Local Air Pollution Control Officers

TEOM Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance - A particulate matter continuous

monitor that utilizes an inertial balance which directly measures the mass

collected on a filter by measuring the frequency changes on a tapered element.